# TOWN OF SOUTHAMPTON

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## **IMPORTANT ELECTION INFORMATION**

# Dear Property Owner:

Enclosed please find Resolution No. 1216 of 2017, adopted by the Southampton Town Board on December 21, 2017, scheduling a Special Town Election as it relates to authorizing the establishment of a beach erosion control district known as the North Sea Beach Colony Beach Erosion Control District for **Saturday, March 3, 2018**, at **Southampton Town Hall**, 116 Hampton Road, Southampton, New York, from **10:00 a.m.** until **2:00 p.m.** 

Pursuant to New York State Town Law §209-e, eligible voters for this election are owners of taxable real property situated within the beach erosion control district. Specifically, each owner, that is, each tenant by the entirety, tenant in common, or joint tenant owning taxable real property within the district, is entitled to vote in the referendum. Thus, if your name appears on the deed, you are entitled to cast a ballot. That said, partnerships, corporations and certain trusts owning property are only entitled to a single vote, and any person or entity owning more than one parcel within the district is only entitled to a single vote.

# Corporations.

If the taxable property is held in a corporation, it is entitled to one vote, to be cast by an officer or agent of said corporation, or other duly authorized person designated by appropriate resolution of such corporation. Pursuant to the attached enclosure, please identify who will be voting on behalf of the corporation, and return said documentation authorizing the individual to vote to the Town Clerk's Office prior to the election, and as soon as possible, so that any discrepancies or requests for further information can be addressed prior to the election.

## Partnerships and Certain Trusts.

If the taxable property is held in a partnership or particular trust, it is entitled to one vote, to be cast by an officer or agent of said partnership or trust, or other duly authorized person designated by such partnership or trust. Pursuant to the attached enclosure, please identify who will be voting on behalf of the partnership or trust, and return said documentation, such as a notarized letter, authorizing the individual to vote to the Town Clerk's Office prior to the election, and as soon as possible, so that any discrepancies or requests for further information can be addressed prior to the election. If you are unsure of the number of votes allotted to your trust, please call the Town Clerk's Office to discuss the particulars of your property at (631) 287-5740.

### Absentee Ballots.

Absentee ballots will be available for this election. If you are entitled to vote and would like an absentee ballot, an application is enclosed herewith, or you may print an application by visiting the Town's website at www.southamptontownny.gov and clicking on the link labeled "Erosion Control District Special Election." <u>Applications</u> for absentee ballots must be postmarked no later than **February 12**, **2018**, or hand-delivered to the Southampton Town Clerk's Office no later than **February 20**, **2018**. Your absentee ballot materials will be sent to you immediately after your completed and signed application is received and processed by the Town Clerk's Office.

The absentee <u>ballot</u> must then be either (i) personally delivered to the Town Clerk's Office on or prior to **March 2, 2018**, between 8:15 a.m. and 4:15 p.m., (ii) returned to the polling site on election day (**March 3, 2018**) during the hours designated, that is, 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m., or (iii) mailed to the Town Clerk's Office, postmarked by a governmental postal service no later than **February 24, 2018**.

If you have questions regarding any of this information, please call the Town Clerk's Office at (631) 287-5740, or visit the Town's website at www.southamptontownny.gov.

Very truly yours,

Sundy A. Schermeyer Sundy A. Schermeyer Town Clerk

cc: Southampton Town Board
Kathleen Murray, Deputy Town Attorney